Grand Challenge Applicants must adhere to the following requirements when submitting their papers.

- 1. Applicants must adhere to the 10 Page limit for the paper.
- 2. Applicants must submit the papers as a <u>PDF document</u> via email to Eleanor Rollings at <u>Eleanor.Rollings@usda.gov</u> and CC Scott Dockum at <u>sdockum@csrees.usda.gov</u>.
- 3. Papers must be received no later then **midnight EDT on April 30, 2008**. (Note that the deadline for the "Grand Challenge" has been extended to April 30 since there was a delay in posting the USDA REE Energy Research, Education, and Extension Strategic Plan

(http://www.ree.usda.gov/news/bead/USDA_REE_strat_plan.pdf)

Special Considerations

- 1. Applicants should check the file size of their paper to ensure that it does not exceed 5mb. Papers that exceed this limit may not be transferred through the USDA email server.
 - a. As a precaution it is highly recommended that each applicant send a second follow-up email, without the attachment, indicating that they have submitted a paper and wish to know if the paper was received successfully.
- 2. The BEAD II Organizers and Judges have not focused the submission requirements in an effort to allow submitting applicants to be creative. Graphics, data, and text format is at the discretion of the applicant.